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NATION'S TRIBUTE TO VON STEUBEN

ton's Great Drillmaster Unveiled in Lafayette Park.

GERMAN SOCIETIES TAKE

Chorus of 1.000 Voices Is Heard in Patriotic Songs.

Addresses by the President, the Ger-

man Ambassador and Representative Bartholdt of Missouri. Delegations From New York.

In weather, perhaps as bleak as that which enfolded the cheerless camp of the great commander-in-chief at Valley Forge, when barefoot colonials tracked their course in blood over the pitiless snow, the United States of America, 133 years later, this afternoon, at the capital of the nation unveiled the statue of Frederick Wilhelm August von Steuben, the adjutant general of the armies of Frederick the Great, the friend of Washington and the great inspector of the colonial army that wrested its independence from the British crown.

Surrounding the tribute of bronze were thousands of von Steuben's countrymen proud of heart and exultant at the honor conferred upon their great representative who, in his time, conferred honor upor their adopted country and gave to it all the force of his military wisdom and skill in its fight for liberty. Not the barefoot and disorganized stragglers of the patriotic army of long ago, but emericans to the manner born joined with all in the tribute to the memory of he great man who yet lives in the roudest annals of their native land.

Chorus of 1,000 Voices.

After a ringing chorus by nearly a voices of the Northeastern Rev. Dr. Charles F. Steck, Jacob M. Dickinson, Secretary of War, who presided at the ceremonies, introduced Representative Richard Bartholdt of Misdress. Recounting the effect of the Decpolitical deliverance in history," upon the terest manifested by France and her Bartholdt reviewed the influences brought to bear on Baron von Steuben that resulted in his allying himself with the American cause December 1, 1777, a the age of forty-seven, after a distinguished military career with the armies of Frederick the Great, and at a time when things looked rather blue for the ionials. "The cause of all the reverses," declared the speaker, "had mainly been the lack of discipline. Up to that time against Indians, which, it is true, caused them to excel in marksmanship, in skirmishing and in the ability to undergo great hardships, but they could not well well trained British.

The Man for the Time.

"The French government was fully ware of that fact, and it also recognized that Baron Steuben, the pupil of Frederick the Great, would be the right sort of army and make it equal to any emereency. The appeals in behalf of Amerio him. When, after a voyage of more than two months, he landed at Portsmouth, the first news he received was of important American successes in the state of New York, and of the surrender of the English general, Burgoyne, with his whole army. New York, Philadelphia and nearthe whole coast, however, were still the possession of the British, and Washington's army was nearly frozen and starved to death in winter quarters at Valley Forge. Steuben was everywhere received with due honors. Congress readily accepted the offer

of his services as a volunteer, granted task and the difficulties he experienced in performing it, and his ultimate suc-Bartholdt then referred to the surrender of Cornwallis to the German general, after a difference with Lafayette, which

Worthy of Lasting Gratitude.

was settled only by appeal to Washing-

achievements, but enough has been dis-closed to satisfy us that he is worthy of In speaking of the "animosity" created vide a board of school visitors, to be vide a board of school visitors, to be vide a board by the Supreme Court of the latest the supr people. What he was he was through of the committee said that the accusers different school districts of Washingregarded him with distrust and enmity posed to be opposed to their views. They experience who should be an appointee of thus came to regard Mr. Ballinger with own merit overcome the prejudices of his suspicion and to regard the most natural sioners." comrades. His services were, 1 om be- and innocent acts occurring in the ordiginning to end, acts of personal renuncia- nary course of departmental administration, and only the satisfaction of duty tion as furnishing evidence of some siniswell performed, the growing prospects of ter purpose." final success, and probably the conviction that it would be difficult for othe s to fill his particular place, could inspire the loyalty and cheerfulness of his work. With him selfish considerations were ever pushed into the background by his regard for the public welfare and the against Secretary Ballinger in regard to sacredness of the cause. His lif proved the Cunningham coal land entries, or to be true what he wrote to Congress: other coal claims in Alaska, are not When I drew my sword I made a solemn justified, and his conduct in respect therevow that only death could compel me to give up before Great Britain would to is not justly censurable. recognize America' independence!" The speaker then recounted the various the Indian co-operative agreement. testimonials to von Steuben's worth con-tributed by Congress and the states and sifes by Seecretary Ballinger were made finally quoted the last letter written by in good faith, and not in enmity to the Washington himself before his retirement, government, and that no injury appears in which his feelings of gratitude and af-

Died in America.

In conclusion, Mr. Bartholdt said: Baron Steuben never returned to his na- lands. tive country, but died November 28, 1794, reclamation law presented features a true American patriot. His burial place justly subject to criticism. No unfair near Utica is known to but few of the criticism or improper conduct on Sec-(Continued on Thirteenth Page.)

BALLINGER PRAISED; SAY IT IS UNJUST ACCUSERS BLAMED Criticism of Cost of Schools

Bronze Statue of Washing- Majority Report of Congressional Investigating Committee Submitted to Congress.

PART IN BIG PARADE PROSECUTION DECLARED TO HAVE MADE NO CASE Regard President's Reference to Dis-

Secretary Found Competent and Honorable, Faithfully Doing Duty. MISS HELEN TAFT DRAWS CORD

Findings Hold That No Improper Conduct Has Been Shown. Criticism of Him Asserted to Be Prejudice.

COMMITTEE'S FINDINGS "The evidence has wholly failed to make out a case. Neither any fact proved nor all the facts put together exhibit Mr. Ballinger as being anything but a competent and honorable gentleman, honestly and faithfully performing the duties of his high office with a view single

to the public interest." Specific Findings Charges against Secretary Ballinger regarding Cunningham and other coal land claims in Alaska

not justified. Justified in revoking Indian cooperative agreement. Restoration of water-power sites made in good faith and not in

enmity to the government. Justified in abandoning use of water users' co-operative certifi-

No unfair criticism of the reclamation service shown on Secretary Ballinger a part Not an enemy of a reasonable and judicious policy of conserva-

No ground shown justifying the opinion that Secretary Ballinger is not a faithful and efficient public

In a report expressing its confidence in Secretary Ballinger of the Interior Department, the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee finished its work today. majority of the committee, was presented to both houses of Congress at the open ing at noon. At the same time the inde- recently to the trade school movement is pendent reports of the democratic memtive Madison of Kansas also were sub-

The conclusions of the republicans were submitted to the democrats at a meeting of the full committee held at 10 o'clock this morning. All republican members except Representative Madison had signof the committee, put the majority report to a vote. The democratic members, with Representative Madison, voted

After stating that the evidence presented related in the main to charges of various kinds against Mr. Ballinger, and country. If we can have enough teachers that these came chiefly from two sources man to create order out of chaos, to _I. R. Glavis and Gifford Pinchot-the drill and equip the American majority announced the following con-

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Representatives Samuel W. McCall of American cities fairly comparable with Massachusetts, vice chairman; Marlin E. Olmstead of Pennsylvania and Edwin of education is about 25.5 cents. Denby of Michigan, all republicans.

Condemned by Minority.

bers, Senators D. U. Fletcher and William pended for salaries affords on the avertroops and establish better order in the E. Purcell and Representatives Ollie M. age 6.8 days of instruction. For the cur-James of Kentucky and James M. Gra-of education amounted to about three-The reception of von Steuben by Wash- ham of Illinois, together with Representa- quarters of the entire revenue locally otherwise sustantial than the Reichsbank. ington and the army, his monumental tives Edmond H. Madison of Kansas, collected for District purposes. cess as inspector general and chief of report which they maintained to be the staff up to the time when the American majority opinion, condemning the conarmy was reorganized according to von duct of Mr. Ballinger as Secretary of the lack of definite plan in the expansion North Carolinian Fires Revolver and

> therefore the natural minority became a expansion in the school system are with son, withdrew and broke the quorum. The sioners.

Specific Findings.

The report makes the following specific findings: "That the charges and insinuations

"That he was fully justified in revoking "That the restorations of waterpower fection for von Steuben were specially the cause of conservation by either the restorations or withdrawals.

"That, in view of the opinion of the Attorney General, he was justified in abandoning the use of the so-called water user's co-operative certificates in con-"Unlike many other foreign officers, nection with the reclamation of arid

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Resented by Board.

ONE MEMBER TO RESIGN

Assigns Press of Business as the Reason.

OTHER MEMBERS INDIGNANT

trict System as Based Upon Incomplete Figures.

The resignation of one of the most prominent members of the board of edu-NOT A FOE OF CONSERVATION cation and the settlement of the question of who shall be superintendent of schools are scheduled for the meeting of the board late this afternoon. As it appeared at noon today, when several members of the board were interviewed, Supt. A. T. Stuart will be continued in office. As for the rumored resignation, members of the board have been telephoning to one another a good part of the day in an effort to check the determination to retire on the part of one of the most active members, who has said that his business interests are taking too much of his time.

Come in for Criticism.

Few of the members of the board were willing to discuss the portion of the President's message dealing with the schools, and would not allow quotation marks to be used with what they had to say, but nevertheless Commissioner Judson's ears would have burned today if burning ears go with sharp criticism.

"The figures which Commissioner Judson prepared for the President's message do not mean as much when it is considered that there are all sorts of ways of arriving at the efficiency of the schools," said a member of the board. " understand that the census office will have within a few days figures more complete than those furnished by the

"Washington's schools may be expensive, but so are its police and certain other municipal functions. This is no cheap town. However, it is not to be believed that Congress will do anything startling at this session because of these

Blames Engineer Department.

"The logical place for the schools is

under the Commissioners, but it would

Another member of the board said that if the schools have been extravagantly or wastefully run a good part of the waste can be laid at the door of the engineer department of the District govern-

not reduce the extravagance any if the engineer department is to continue to do for the schools some of the things it has Suit to Compel Bank to Sur- Opponents of Ballinger Dis- Only a Slight Jar Felt Aboard done lately.' Whether or not the President's message

a question to be settled only when the board finds out what money it will have for new teachers and trade school ma-

Needs of Trade Schools.

"We can't have a trade school year. We want to have a graduating we will have two good trade schools."

What the President Said. The President's reference to the District school system, to which exceptions

"The cost of education in the District

as compared with the cost in other cities that the results are in general more satisfactory The average cost per pupil per day in Washington is about 38 cents. while the average cost in thirteen other Washington in population and standard

"For each dollar spent in salaries of trict about 4.4 days of instruction per pupil are given, while in the thirteen cities above referred to each dollar ex-

Lack of Definite Plan.

new buildings and of proper economy in

the lasting gratitude of the American by differences respecting the conservaappointed by the Supreme Court of the were sent for the police
become What he was he was through tion of natural resources, the majority District or by the President, from the A panic followed in a himself. He had to conquer every foot ground, and for years his fellow-offers, with a few honorable exceptions, with a few honorable exceptions, with a few honorable exceptions, regarded him with distrust and enmity of the committee said that the accusers of the committee of the sufferent school districts of Washing-like that the accusers of the committee of the commit

"A MISTLETOE GIRL,"

James Montgomery Flagg,

Will be a full-page feature in our next Sunday Magazine. The head and shoulders of a most charming creature are drawn with all the art of this well known illustrator, and dangling right above (of course, the girl doesn't know it) is a sprig of mistletoe. Underneath is the one word "Well?" Well, what would you do about

> See the Next Sunday Magazine Of The

SUNDAY STAR.



render-Money of Abdul Hamid Decided.

class of apprentices of the first class in perial supreme court refused to entertain But these members of the minority were there was only a slight jar. With the all sorts of trades, especially those trades which demand the greatest number of men and boys in this section of the country. If we can have enough teachers the plea that Abdul Hamid signed the more concerned about the possibility of dropping of the propeller the balance tank order of withdrawal under duress and decided that the Reichsbank must pay the four circuit judges of the eighth more concerned about the possibility of dropping of the propeller the balance tank order of withdrawal under duress and decided that the Reichsbank must pay the four circuit judges of the eighth more concerned about the possibility of dropping of the propeller the balance tank order of withdrawal under duress and decided that the Reichsbank must pay the four circuit judges of the eighth more concerned about the possibility of dropping of the propeller the balance tank or the interest of the interest was only a slight jar. With the leaven we have a significant to the interest of the minority were the was only a slight jar. With the leaven we have a significant to the interest of the minority were the eighth more concerned about the possibility of dropping of the propeller the balance tank or the interest of the interest in the interest of the interest in the int the money as demanded.

er these funds and laid bfore the bank-

Did Not Bear Secret Seal.

school teachers and officers in the Dis- was unable to act of his own free will, dismissed the complaint, holding that it

CAUSES PANIC IN HOSPITAL. Refuses to Explain.

A panic followed in some of the hosfurther examination.

Increase in England's Commerce. statement of the board of trade shows in- Washington, D. C.

creases of \$12,399,500 in imports and \$17,-879.500 in exports. The imports of foodstuffs decreased, but there were gains of \$7,500,000 in American cotton and \$8,750,-Fall From Bed Proves Fatal.

PITTSBURG, December 7.-Mrs. Augusta Gottman, aged sixty-six, fell out of bed early today white in a sound sleep. She was picked up by her husband, who the woman was dead.

PLANNING WAYS TO PUT HOUSE ON RECORD

WHY NOT?

cussing Means of Getting Action on Report.

suit instituted by representatives of the ger-Pinchot investigating committee and North German Lloyd liner Kaiser Wil- off from Judge Pollock, protesting his several times, and when he closed the Turkish government against the Reichs- Representative Madison of Kansas, the helm der Grosse, which had the misfor- nomination, and declared that Judge 3,000 men and women arose and cheered render \$4,500,000, which it has on deposit commented briefly on the majority report in midocean last Monday afternoon, came "We have to have trained teachers of to the credit of the deposed Sultan Abdul filed today. The burden of their opinion, into port early today, several hours ahead that he will open his list of eligibles to ed the report. Senator Nelson, chairman the various trades. We don't want to Hamid, came before the imperial supreme as conservatively expressed, was that the of her expected arrival. The accident the judges of that circuit gives a new After the hearing of testimony the im- considered by the people of the country. decided that the Reichsbank must pay bering in the House document room withthe money as demanded.

When Abdul Hamid intrusted his per
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The minority wants to see the House go

The minority wants to see the Hou sonal fortune to the Reichsbank he ex- on record. A discussion of ways and ripped off and the propeller carried away. Sanborn was here last week, was the States urged the suppression of local and acted a solemn agreement that the funds should not be withdrawn except on pres- means this afternoon by those opposed to There was a little excitement among the personal guest of the President at the individual projects for the improvement should not be withdrawn except on presmeans this afternoon by those opposed to the improvement entation of an order under his hand and Secretary Ballinger's administration of passengers, which was speedily allayed by the President seal. After he was driven from the throne the affairs of the Interior Department and Capt. Polack, who explained the accithe new government attempted to recov- to his further retention in the public dent. service developed sentiment favorable to

clared out of order by Speaker Cannon. the decision of the chair, and, as a com- company was refused by the captain. which took the further ground that its bination of insurgents and democrats in the name of the former sultan in the for obtaining consideration of the two provincial court at Berlin. This court reports. The committee on rules could bring in a resolution that would lay the was brought under compulsion, and whole matter before the House, but it is otherwise sustained the contentions of not expected that this will be done. The Pinchot committee held an informa, meeting this afternoon to talk things over.

Municipal League Chooses Chairman. PITTSBURG, December 7.-B. F. Wil- Albert Bushnell Hart of Cambridge, day when fire partially destroyed the of the fair division of the court that the will probably reach the conclusion that tended by some of the republicans, who the necessity for the concentration of lard, who says he is from North Caro- Mass., has been appointed chairman of boarding house of Caleb S. Thompson at President appointed Justice Lurton, a I exercise the powers of the mayor of boarding house of Caleb S. Thompson at President appointed of the mayor of now have exonerated Mr. Ballinger, and control. All plans for improvement and lina, sprang into the main corridor of the the National Municipal League. Prof. 106 Montgomery street. nurses' quarters in the Allegheny Gen- Hart is a former president of the Amer. Mrs. and Miss Jenkins were caught in majority, and the republicans who were the school board, while the limitation present, with the exception of Mr. Madi- of expenses is with the District Commis-"This, my friends," he said, "is but a meager account of Baron Steuben's great achievements, but enough has been disachievements, but enough has been disachievements and broke the quorum. The president of the family disachievements are defined by the democrate of the family disachievements and broke the quorum. The president of the family disachievements are defined by the democrate of the family disachievements are democrated by the democrate of the family disachievements are democrated by the democrate of the cambridge Clitizens. The first of the family disachievements are democrated by the democrate of the cambridge Clitizens. The first of the family disachievements are democrated by the democrate of the cambridge Clitizens and two democrates of the family disachievements are democrated by the family disachieve were hastily locked and hurried calls and has been prominent in the organization for a number of years.

> tody. He made no attempt to explain of the Methodist Episcopal Deaconess reported death from heart disease. Miss Haney formerly lived in Bangor, Me., who assaulted Premier Briand two where she leaves her mother and a weeks ago during the ceremonies in the Court becomes filled with men of prohis action. He is being held awaiting Home here yesterday, and the coroner brother. She was engaged in deaconess Tuilleries Garden in connection with the LONDON, December 7.—The November the Deaconess' Training School at sentneced today to three years' imprison—They assert that the people are watching

Spectator in Court Falls Dead. 57,500,000 in American cotton and \$8,750,000 in Egyptian cotton. Manufactured goods made the largest increase in exthis city, dropped dead yesterday in the this city, dropped dead yesterday in the what he had done. Harrison county court. He was a specta-

Prominent Iron Pioneer's Death. BIRMINGHAM. Ala., December 7 .-

Henry F. Debardeleben, one of the most she was picked up by her husband, who hastily summoned a physician because she was groaning. When he arrived the woman was dead.

Then y has in the indicate the romantic career, and at the time of his

PORT PROPELLER LOST

the Vessel When the Accident Happens.

report was "weak," and would be so happened in fine moderate weather. Capt. phase to the contest and one which, it is waterway policy—not a waterway proj-Polack says no wreckage was struck and there was only a slight in Washington again there was only a slight in Washington again

ers what purported to be a letter from demanding consideration of the report on board engines, making seventeen and a Hook are the other two to be considered. and take their places in the auditorium the deposed sultan authorizing their with- the floor at the first favorable opportu- half knots thereafter. Although the with the Kansas men back of Hook and on the tenth floor of the Willard. Each A motion to this effect, under the rules of the House would undoubtedly be dewithout difficulty in coming into port, and lected. The Kansas men claim that they accompanied by Capt. Butt, his military The next step would be to appeal from even the assistance of tugs sent by the decision of the chair, and, as a com-company was refused by the captain.

Without unitedity in coming into port, and the late place because the late aid, and Secretary Norton, arrived at Justice Brewer of the Supreme Court was 10:30 o'clock. Among the passengers were Prof. En. from their state. customer, being practically a prisoner, could sustain such an appeal, the fight gelbert Humperdink, the composer; Col J. J. Astor and son, Representative H. S. Boutell, Count Jean de Kergelay and E D. Winslow, United States consul

WOMAN LOSES LIFE AT FIRE. democratic members of the Ballinger- Writer Burned to Death and Daughter Has Narrow Escape. POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., December 7 .-

years of age, was burned to death and appointed by President Cleveland. When He said: Mrs. L. H Jenkins, a writer, seventy-two nouncement was made today that Prof. forty, narrowly escaped the same fate to- White and Lurton. It was in recognition

Mrs. Jenkins came here from Sheffield Mass, a year ago.

Who Assaulted French Premier. court was incompetent to try the case. and refused to plead. He was thereupon GULFPORT, Miss., December 7 .- James condemned by default. On his previous that he name for the court men unfavor-Leon Daudet, son of Alphonse Daudet an editor of a royalist newspaper, testi-

fied that the royalists indorsed Lacour's act. Directly after the assault Lacour royalists.

Crazed by Boll Weevil Ravages.

POLITICS IN THE WAY BROAD POLICY TO

President Embarrassed Over Supreme Court Appointments.

MANY DEMANDS UPON HIM

Unable to Reconcile the Conflicting Claims of Partisan Senators.

DETERMINES ON NEW STAND Announced That Circuit Justices

Who Passed on Standard Oil Cases

Will Be Considered. An unfortunate and, to President Taft

an embarrassing situation has arisen in connection with the Supreme Court ap-The plain, unvarnished fact is that politics has entered into the matter, despite the desire and efforts of the Presi-

dent to put these important places upon non-partisan basis. The insurgent republican senators have virtually served notice that they will oppose the confirmation of any man or set of men whose political leanings, judicial decisions while on the bench, or corporation connections as attorneys are

such as to be unsatisfactory to this element of the party. The democrats of the Senate, through Senator Bailey, have served notice that they will fight the confirmation of the nominations if a democrat is not named to one of the vacancies.

Senators of the regular wing of the party are beginning to complain that if the insurgents are to dominate the nominations to the Supreme Court or the Court of Compares they will get into the

Court of Commerce they will get into the game by holding up nominations. President Changes Mind.

Under these circumstances the President has changed his mind in several in-

The authoritative statement was made preme Court the names of some of the passed upon the Standard Oil case. Several months ago he told Senator Curtis of Kansas and others that he did not think it would be appropriate to nominate as a justice of the Supreme Court a man who had passed upon any one of the big cases pending in the Supreme Court, and who would go upon that bench with his

The Kansas delegation in Congress, badly split into factions, had unanimous ly indorsed Judge William C. Hook of that state for justice of the Supreme Court at the time of the death of Jus-tice Brewer. The President decided upon the nomination of Gov. Hughes to fill this vacancy, at the time concluding that it would be inadvisable to name one of the circuit judges who had decided

Upon the death of Chief Justice Fuller and the retirement from the court of Justice Moody the Kansas delegation stood ready to again recommend Juste Country in attendance.

President Taft, in his role as "mayor

the other Kansas representatives followed

The steamer proceeded under the star- be appointed. Judges Van Devanter and 10 o'clock the delegates began to arrive

The Democratic Position.

The position of the democrats is that tions of the President to select only able, arrived early, and was introduced to the non-partisan men for the bench, he can officers of the convention. the democrats and that there should be maintained the time-honored division of at least one-third of the court of one party. They want three members of the

Chief Justice Fuller was a democrat.

democrats on the bench—White and Lurton. There are nine members of the bench, including the Chief Justice. If a democrat is not named there will be democrat is not named there will be function in which I appear now. I well-The President is said to concede the come you to Washington.

"We do not always have snowstorms fairness of the request of the democrats, in Wa and it is almost sure that one of the va-cancies will be filled by a man from the

ings suitable to them. Insurgents openly assert that all their subject. I am going to see if I can this they will make a light in the Senate ment. Lacour raised the point that the the courts now as never before, and are insistent upon men of the right view be-Confronted with a practical demand

dent has the most unpleasant duty to perform he has known in months. Almost the same situation applies to problem which you gentlemen have to the new Court of Commerce as to the solve, and which Congress has to solve. was elected vice president of the Came-lots Du Roi, an organization of young ing their share of these positions, while the radical senators want-the court made that it has elements of economy that the radical senators want-the court-made up of men not supposed to have flirted with the railroads in the past. Southern men are presenting many can-

JACKSON, Miss., December 7.—Her didates for the Supreme Court. The Texas delegation has several names to reason dethroned by brooding over the bring forward and will present them in a transportation are the difficulties that you ravages of the boll weevil in her cotton few days. Among these are Judge Maxcy have to overcome before you shall solve solded during the past year. Mrs. J. B. of the state courts, and former Repre-

AID WATERWAYS

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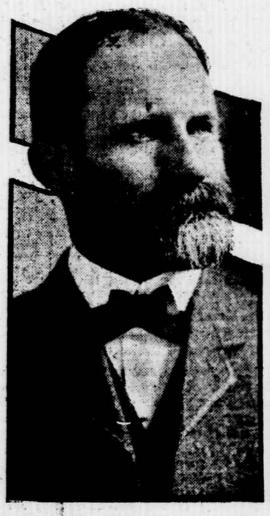
Theme of Speakers Before the National Rivers and Harbors Congress.

PRESIDENT TAFT SHOWS PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED

Proposed Co-Operation of Railways and Rivers.

OF TERMINALS

Addresses Delivered by the Mexican Ambassador, Representative Alexander and President Ransdell of Congress.



REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH R.

RANSDELL. The seventh annual gathering of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress

stated today, repeated his former declara-tion against any of the eighth circuit judges. Senator Curtis thereupon in-dorsed Judge Pollock of the federal dis-trict court of Kansas and a number of NEW YORK, December 7.—The big the representatives allied with him held Applause interrupted the chief executive

"Policy-Not a Project."

. The convention, which is advocating "a The four circuit judges of the eighth to urge upon the nation's lawmakers against him. It is not likely that he will set for the opening of the congress at

The President took his place on the platform with Representative Joseph Ransdell, president of the congress, and other distinguished guests. Senor Francisco Leon de la Barra, ambassador from Mexico, who made one of the addresses.

President Taft's Address. Following the invocation by Rev. Samuel H. Greene of the Calvary Baptist Church, President Taft was introduced to

"I have delivered myself so often of It is the insurgents who are picking to views on rivers and harbors and the char-

earn that good will which I lost yesterday by being short. Problem Awaiting Solution.

"There is only one thought that I want to add to what I have said to this convention and to other audiences on this subject, and that is this: There was a time in the history of the country when river navigation was greatly more important than it is now. The growth of diminished the importance of river navigation under existing conditions, and the ought to make it enter much more largely into the general transportation of this country than it does, is the uni n and the co-operation of railroads and rivers. The terminal difficulties with respect to river American Fleet Leaves Brest.

BREST, France, December 7.—The fourth division of the United States Atlantic fleet, under command of Capt. Thomas B. Howard, salled for Gravesend, England, today. The vessels are the battleships Georgia, the flagship; the Nebraska, the Rhode Island and Virginia.

Thomas Island and Virginia.

Tomas Island and Virginia.

Transportation are the difficulties that you be foot coal vein of the Alabama Fuel and few days. Among these are Judge Maxcy of the state courts, and few days. Among these are Judge M